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The terms and conditions contained herein have been adopted by the U.S. Agency for International Development (hereinafter "USAID") and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (hereinafter "USDA") as the standard terms and conditions applicable to mark and count cargo bookings under U.S. Government funded food aid programs administered by these agencies. This document, when incorporated by reference or as an attachment to the form <u>U.S. FOOD AID BOOKING NOTE For Packaged Commodities Part I</u> (hereinafter "PART I"), forms an integral part of the contract of carriage of the cargoes described in PART I. The terms and conditions contained herein apply to such shipments, except to the extent that any exceptions, modifications, or additional terms defined in PART I will supercede the terms contained herein.

# LOAD/DELIVERY TERMS

## FAS VESSEL NAMED PORT

Supplier is to be responsible for delivering the cargo to the Carrier at first point of rest within a USDA approved transport terminal within the commercial limits of the FAS port. Any wharfage accessed against the cargo by the governing port authority and/or receiving terminal is to be for the Suppliers account. The Carrier is to nominate the transport terminal in writing within 3 business days after the Carrier has received written notification from the Shipper or its agent that all subjects on the booking have been lifted, Carrier is to be liable for all costs incurred due to the failure to provide this information. The cargo shall be placed safely at rest at the transport terminal, as nominated by the carrier or as designated by the port authority, at the Supplier's expense. The transport terminal can be a freight station, a container terminal, or yard, a multipurpose cargo terminal, along side the vessel on the quay at the FAS port or any similar receiving point.

# INTERMODAL - PLANT

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17 (As designated by letter "R" preceding point of origin) — The Supplier shall be responsible for loading the conveyance (containers, trucks, trailers or rail 19 cars) at named point of origin. The Carrier shall be responsible for the costs of transportation from said named point of loading to the U.S. port of export 20 and the cost of loading the cargo on board the ocean going vessel. Carrier must comply with supplier's load and capacity capabilities. If the Carrier fails to comply with supplier's load capabilities, any costs incurred by the vendor/USDA including but not limited to liquidated damages and storage, 23 will be for the carrier's account. If containers are to be placed at the 25 Supplier's plant, Carrier must ensure that the containers are placed at the 26 27 plant by the commencement of the Supplier's shipping period and supply containers on a continuous basis until the supplier's fulfills his contract 28 quantity or as otherwise mutually agreed between Carrier and Supplier provided all cargo is delivered within the Suppliers shipping period. If supplier 29 30 fails to deliver all of the cargo within the shipping period, then Supplier is to be responsible for any demurrage or detention that may occur on trucks, 31 32 containers, trailers, barges or rail cars or dead freight on vessel. 33

# INTERMODAL - BRIDGE

(As designated by Letter "B" preceding point of origin) — Supplier is responsible for loading the cargo into rail cars, or at the Supplier's option, conveyances supplied by Carrier and paying for the transportation costs to the named Bridge point. Supplier is to contact the notify party indicated on the Notice to Deliver and/or the Carrier to obtain the exact location for delivery. Carriers shall be responsible for the transportation expenses incurred to move the conveyance to a USDA approved U.S. port of export, the cost of unloading the conveyance at the port of export (including container stuffing charges, where applicable) and all charges incurred to load the ocean-going vessel. If the Supplier intends to use trucks to transport the cargo to the bridge point, then the freight tender must provide this information. If the Carrier does not use the trucks for the on carriage to the port of export, the Carrier shall be responsible for the cost of unloading the cargo from the trucks at the bridge point.

## (D) INTERMODAL- LAKES

(MSA Sec. 17 cargo and as designated by Letter "L" preceding point of origin) — Supplier is responsible for loading the cargo into rail cars, trucks or 50 51 trailer and paying for the transportation costs to the marine cargo terminal at 52 53 the named Lakes point. Supplier is to contact the notify party indicated on the Notice to Deliver and/or the Carrier to obtain the exact location for delivery. 54 55 The marine cargo terminal is to be approved by USDA for handling MSA Sec 56 17 Lakes cargo. The Carrier is responsible for unloading the conveyance and loading the cargo into an oceangoing vessel or barge or trans-loading the 57 58 cargo into an ocean container. If the cargo is trans-loaded to an ocean container, Carrier shall be responsible for the transportation expenses 59 incurred to move the container to a U.S. port of export, and all charges 60 incurred to load the container on to the ocean going vessel.

# PRE-POSITIONED CARGO

(As designated by Letter "P "preceding pre-position port) Cargo to be made available to the Carrier at the location as specified in the freight tender (or in 63 64 wallable to Charles as provided herein). Upon notification to USDA/KCCO of vessel contract award, carrier will be notified by Shipper's 65 66 Agent within (2) working days as to exact location of all cargo contracted for 67 68 carriage. The Carrier will then have four (4) working days to accept or reject the commodity as contracted giving reasons in writing, for any rejections. The 69

- commodity parcels rejected shall be identified to the port and to USDA/KCCO. Cargoes rejected by carrier will be subject to inspection by FGIS to determine final disposition. Rejected cargo may be replaced by
- 73 USDA/KCCO and, upon notification that same has been accomplished;
- 74 vessel owner will have 24 hours to inspect the replaced commodity. The
- 75 Carrier shall have signed non-negotiable dock receipts, indicating 76
- acceptance of the cargoes in good order. Upon this acceptance, cargo is 77 deemed to be in a delivered position and becomes the full responsibility of
- 78 the contracted Carrier. The cargoes moving directly from rail cars or trucks to
- the performing vessel or containers are considered to be FAS cargoes.
- 80 For pre-position cargo loading in Lake Charles, LA the cargo will be made
- available for loading from 1/3 safe berths with the following to apply: 81
- 82 Sheds 1, 2, 3, and 150 are to be considered as one berth. Sheds 4, 5, and 6 83
- are to be considered as one berth. Shed 7 is to be considered as one berth. 84 Shed 8 and 9 are to be considered as one berth. Shed 15 is to be considered
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#### 86 **DISCHARGE/DELIVERY TERMS**

87 Cargo to be discharged in accordance with Full Liner Terms, no demurrage/ 88 no dispatch/no detention, with the cargo being delivered to Receivers at 89 Carrier's risk, time and expense in accordance with the following provisions.

The applicable discharge / delivery terms for each parcel are to be noted in

91 PART I of this booking note:

## Delivered to place of rest at discharge port

Breakbulk: The cargo to be delivered to receivers at place of rest end of hook, along side vessel.

Containerized:

Containers are to be delivered to the Receivers at place of rest at the Carrier's or port's container yard (CY), as applicable. Unless otherwise specified in PART I of this booking note, the amount of free time on containers is ten (10) calendar days., or The containers are to be discharged and moved to the Carrier's container freight station (CFS) where the Carrier is responsible to de-van the cargo and to make it available to the receiver at a place of rest in the CFS.

# Delivered to port warehouse or CFS

- Breakbulk: The cargo is to be placed into warehouse(s) within the port area.
- Containerized: Containers are to be discharged and moved to the Carrier's CFS where the Carrier is responsible to de-van the cargo and to make it available to the receiver at a place of rest in the CFS.
- (C) Warehouse delivery (Breakbulk or Containerized): Delivery will be made in accordance with 2.(C)(i) or 2.(C)(ii), as specified in PART I, to the Receivers' warehouse(s), such warehouse(s) to be specified in PART I, or if the Receiver's warehouse(s) are not specified in PART I, then such warehouse(s) are to be within a radius of 25 kilometers from the center point of the city or town specified as the delivery point in the contract. Should a nominated warehouse exceed the distance limitation as per above, Shippers may designate another warehouse within the distance limitation without penalty or make arrangements with the Carrier to deliver the cargo to the nominated warehouse with any additional expenses incurred by the Carrier to be for the Shippers account and payable directly to the Carrier by the Shipper. After the warehouse(s) has been nominated, the Carrier must advise the Shipper within 3 working days if the warehouse is outside the distance limitation. If the Carrier does not advise the Shipper in writing within 3 working days, then Carrier forfeits its rights under this clause to request an alternate warehouse(s) that is within the distance limitation or to be paid for any additional expenses incurred there from. The terms contained in this paragraph apply to either of the delivery options listed below.
  - Door Delivery: The cargo is to be delivered in Carrier's conveyance at the door of the Receiver's warehouse(s) located outside the port area. The Receiver is responsible for the unloading of Carrier's conveyance at the nominated warehouse(s). For container shipments, de-vanning from the container may occur at the specified location or it may occur at an intermediate point dependent upon the customer's ability to receive door delivered containers.
  - (ii) Floor Delivery: The cargo is to be unloaded from Carrier's conveyance and stacked into receiver's warehouse(s) located outside of the port area at the Carrier's expense.

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#### STOWAGE 138 3.

139 Break bulk cargo shall be stowed and carried below deck unless otherwise

140 provided herein or authorized in writing by the Shipper.

#### 141 PORT OF EMBARKATION

The cargo to be transported under this contract must be loaded on board the 142

- vessel in a United States port of embarkation, or as authorized by 143
- 144 USDA/USAID, as applicable.

#### 145 **FAILURE TO LIFT CARGO**

In the event the vessel fails to lift all or part of the shipment as originally 146

- 147 booked due to the fault or negligence of the Carrier, the carrier shall be
- responsible for all expenses resulting from such failure including but not 148
- limited to pier or warehouse storage, rail, truck and/or barge demurrage, 149
- inspection, fumigation and deterioration and re-procurement costs. 150

#### **CARGO DISPOSAL** 151

Subject to the provisions of Clause 19, after loading aboard the ship, the 152

- Carrier shall not dispose of the cargo in any manner except by delivery to 153
- consignee at the scheduled port(s) of discharge without the prior written 154
- 155 approval of the Shipper.

#### SUBSTITUTION 156

157 Vessel substitutions must be approved by the Shipper and USDA/USAID, as

158 applicable, and cargo shall not be loaded into unapproved substitute vessels.

#### 159 TRANSSHIPMENT

Goods shall be carried by named vessel, or approved substitute as per 160

- Clause 7, from loading port to destination and shall not be transshipped 161
- unless said service was contracted for under this booking note or prior 162
- written permission is received from the Shipper. If the cargo is to be 163
- transshipped, the originating Carrier shall issue a through bill of lading to 164
- cover the entire movement and agree to assume all risk and expense to final 165
- destination notwithstanding any provision of the bill of lading to the contrary. 166

#### 167 **CARGO RE-LET**

Carrier may re-let the cargo to other carriers or operators with the approval of 168

169 the Shipper and USDA / USAID (as applicable).

#### 10. DEVIATION IN MODE OF DELIVERY 170

- Carrier agrees that any deviation in mode of delivery (direct, relay or 171
- transshipment), without the prior approval of the Shipper, will result in an 172
- 173 ocean freight revision to the lowest rate offered for an acceptable mode of 174 delivery under the freight tender under which contract was made.
- 175 For U.S. flag vessels only: If service provided under this contract is deemed by the U.S. Maritime Administration not to be U.S. flag service for cargo 176
- preference purposes, the contracted rate to be reduced to the lowest 177
- responsive foreign flag rate. Carrier also agrees to refund the amount of this 178
- revision, or to permit the deduction of the amount from any sums remaining to be paid. In the event that a deviation is discovered after payment is made, 180
- 181 in whole or in part reimbursement to be made to USAID or USDA (as
- applicable). 182

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#### 11. AGENTS 183

Carriers are to have the right to appoint their own agents at both load and 184

185 discharge ports.

# 12. CUSTOM CLEARANCE AT DISCHARGE PORT

The Shippers/Receivers are fully responsible for custom clearance of the 187

- cargo at the discharge port. If the cargo is to be delivered under a through bill 188
- 189 of lading, the Carrier is to be responsible for any transit and/or cross border
- 190 clearances; however, Shipper/Receiver to remain responsible for the final
- customs clearance of the cargo for the destination country. 191

#### 192 13. DELAY AT DESTINATION

Any expense which the Carrier may incur in connection with delivery of this 193

- 194 shipment at destination as a result of delay to the vessel and/or Carrier's
- equipment due to the consignee negligence shall be for the account of the 195
- consignee and the Carrier shall have no recourse against the Shipper on that 196
- 197 account.

#### 198 14. NOTICES

- The Carrier shall notify the Shipper of the vessels position, status and ETA 199 21, 14, 7, 5 days and 24 hours prior to the scheduled load date or in 200
- accordance with any other schedule as the Shipper may otherwise direct in 201
- PART I of this Booking Note. Failure to provide such reports will be 202
- 203 considered a breach of this contract, and may result in cancellation of the

- 204 booking including application of clause 9 (in the case of the 14 and 7 day notices) at the Shipper's sole discretion. 205
- 206 On completion of loading of the contracted cargo and the upon the vessel
- 207 sailing from the load port, Carrier shall provide Shipper or Shipper's agent a 208
- sailing notice, stating vessel's name, commodity, quantity loaded, bill of 209 lading date, load port and estimated date of arrival at discharge port. The
- sailing notice is to be followed by the following notices of vessel ETA at 210
- discharge port of 10, 7, 3 days and 24 hours.
- 212 For containerized shipments, Carrier is to provide Shipper with the container 213 location information within twenty four (24) hours of the request made by the
- 214 Shipper.

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### 15. DELAY ASSESSMENT

If the Carrier determines that the vessel originally scheduled, or a substitute vessel approved by the Shipper, will be unable to lift urgent cargo within five (5) days of the contracted load date or non-urgent cargo within ten (10) days 216 217 218

- of the contracted load date, the Carrier shall promptly notify the Shipper and 219 220 propose a later load date. If such notice is received not less than twenty-one (21) days before the contracted load date, the Shipper shall either accept the 221
- 222 later load date or cancel the booking without cost to the Carrier. If the notice 223 is received less than twenty-one (21) days before the contracted load date,
- 224 the shipper shall either cancel the booking (in which case, clause 9 is to 225 apply) or accept the later load date and apply the loading delay assessment,
- 226 if applicable as per PART I of the Booking Note.

227 The Shipper may impose a loading delay assessment (LDA) in the form of a U.S. \$ per metric ton per day reduction in the freight rate for each and every

- day beyond the contracted load date (the contracted load date is defined as the date that the vessel is estimated to arrive at the specified loading port), 230
- plus a ten (10) day grace period that the vessel fails to present at the first or 231
- sole loading port to load the cargo as specified in PART I of this Booking 232 233 Note. If a LDA is to be imposed for any parcels under this booking note, then
- 234 the LDA is to be specified in PART I of this Booking Note.

The Shipper may elect to impose a delivery delay assessment (DDA) in the form of a U.S. \$ per metric ton reduction in the freight rate per day or pro-rata 235

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- for all cargo which arrives at the discharge port or final delivery point, as
- applicable, beyond the latest delivery date specified in PART I of the Booking 238 Note (Fixed Day DDA). Alternately, the Shippers may elect to impose a DDA 239
- 240 for all cargo which arrives at the first port within the discharge port range,
- beyond the allocated number of days for transit from the time that the vessel 241 242 has sailed foreign from the last U.S. load port (Transit Time DDA). The
- 243 allowed transit times for vessel's arrival at the first port in the discharge port range are listed later in this clause. In both cases the DDA shall continue to
- 245 be assessed until the cargo arrives at the discharge port or alternately at the
- 246 final delivery point, whichever is applicable. If a DDA is to be imposed for any 247 parcels under this booking note, then the DDA is to be specified in PART I of 248
- this Booking Note.
- 249 If the Shipper elects to impose a Fixed Day DDA, then no LDA can be 250
- imposed under this clause.
- 251 In the event that the Shipper elects to impose a Transit Time DDA, the
- 252 following transit times are to apply:

253	Discharge Port Range	Transit Time
25/	Central America and Caribbean	15 Dave

- 25 Days 255 South America
- 256 West Africa 40 Days 257 North Europe 25 Days
- 258 Mediterranean 25 Days 259 Black Sea 35 Days
- Red Sea 260 40 Days 261 South/East Africa 45 Days
- 262 Middle East and South Asia 45 Days 40 Days 263 Far East
- 264 For non-urgent cargoes, the LDA and/or the DDA shall be U.S. \$1.00 per M/T per day or pro-rata and for urgent cargoes, the LDA and/or the DDA shall be U.S. \$2.00 per M/T per day or pro rata. Alternatively, the Shipper
- 266 may assess a different amount provided the amount is specified in PART I of 267 268 the Booking Note.
- 269 Any LDA and/or DDA will be deducted from the freight payment.

#### 270 16. **FUMIGATION**

271 For any flour covered under this Booking Note, the provisions of USDA/KCCO Notice EOD-83 are to apply.

- (B) If Shippers require the cargo covered under this Booking Note to be 273 274 fumigated, then the fumigation requirements must be specified in PART I of 275 this Booking Note.
- 276 If the cargo and/or the vessel is found to be infested at the discharge port and provided clean bills of lading were issued, fumigation to be at 277 Carriers time, risk and expense. 278

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Freight is earned upon loading of cargo and Carrier signing/releasing to shipper or shipper's agent, the relevant ocean bill of lading, vessel lost or not lost. The freight is payable as per the freight payment clause that follows, less any deductions that may apply under this Booking Note.

### FREIGHT PAYMENT

FOR SECTION 416(b) and FFP Cargoes

If there is any failure on the part of the ocean carrier to perform the contract after the vessel tendered at the loading port, the Shippers or their designated agent shall be entitled to incur all expenses which, in the judgment of the U.S. Department of Agriculture are required to enable the vessel to undertake and carry out her obligations under the booking note, including the expenses for any liens asserted against the vessel. Such expenses may be deducted from the freight earned under this booking note notwithstanding any prior assignments of freight made by the owners or operators.

- Notice of Arrival Required:
  - (a) For Delivery Discharge Port: Payment of One Hundred Percent (100%) will be made in accordance with the terms of the Booking Note upon satisfactory notice from the Shippers or their agents of the vessel's arrival at first port of discharge. This notice will be part of documentation required to be presented by the carrier as a condition of payment.
  - For Inland Destination Delivery:
    - Payment of Sixty Five Percent (65%) of freight will be made in accordance with the terms of this Booking Note upon satisfactory notice from Charterer or their agent of the vessel's arrival at first port of discharge. This notice will be a part of documentation required to be presented by the carrier as a condition of payment.
    - Payment of balance of Thirty Five Percent (35%) of freight will be payable upon confirmation from Charterers/receivers that owners have fulfilled their responsibilities under this Booking Note.

A Notice of Arrival will not be required in the event the vessel is lost or unable to proceed to destination after completion of loading because of damage caused by the perils of the sea or other waters, collision, standing, jettison, wreck, fire from any cause, Act of God, public enemies or pirates, or by arrest or restraint of Prince or Princes, rulers or people without the fault of the suppliers of the ocean transportation, wars, public disorders, captures or detentions by public authorities in the interest of public safety, provided the vessel owners or operators supply evidence satisfactory to the shippers of such disability.

The Notice of Arrival must be furnished promptly by the Shippers or their agents and must include name of vessel, name of first port of discharge and date of arrival.

- USDA/CCC is required to issue all payments by electronic transfer. Each ocean carrier or cooperating sponsor submitting documents to USDA/CCC for payment must provide, on their letterhead and signed by an official or agent of their company:
  - Payee's name and address (full style);
  - Payee's bank name, address, account number, type of (b) account being used and ABA routing code number;
  - Payee's bank swift code number, as applicable;
  - The company's taxpayer identification number.
- Documents required for payment of freight: General rule.

To receive payment for ocean freight, owners shall submit the following documents to: The Director/CCCPSD

Foreign Agricultural Service U.S Department of Agriculture 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Stop 1031 Washington DC 20250-1 031 telephone (202) 720-3573:

- One (1) signed copy of completed Form CCC- 512
- Four (4) copies of the original on-board bills of lading indicating the freight rate and signed by the originating carrier
  - For all non-containerized grain cargoes:
    - One (1) copy of the Federal Grain inspection Service (FGIS) Official Stowage Examination Certificate (Vessel Hold Certificate):

- (2) One (1) copy of National Cargo Bureau (NCB) Certificate of Readiness (Vessel Hold inspection Certificate): and
- One (1) copy of the National Cargo Bureau (NCB) Certificate of Loading
- For all containerized grain and grain product cargoes: One (1) copy of the FGIS Container Condition inspection Certificate
- One signed copy of liner booking note or charter party covering ocean transportation of cargo;
- For charter shipments, a notice of arrival at first discharge port submitted by the Cooperating Sponsor
- (g) A request by the Cooperating Sponsor for reimbursement of ocean freight or ocean freight differential indicating the amount due, and accomplished by a certification from the ocean carrier that payment has been received from the Cooperating Sponsor; or a request for direct payment to the ocean carrier, indicating amount due; or a request for direct payment of ocean freight differential to the ocean carrier accompanied by a certification from the carrier that payment of the Cooperating Sponsor's portion of the ocean freight has been received.
- To receive payment in cases where the General Sales Manager determines that circumstances of force majeure have prevented the vessel's arrival at the first port of discharge, the Cooperating Sponsor shall submit all documents required by paragraph above of this section except for the notice of arrival required by paragraph (e) of this section.

### (B) FOR PL 480 Title II Cargoes

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Payment will be made against the documentation specified below. The shipper will submit this documentation to USAID as promptly as is administratively feasible after receipt from the carrier. Further, payment to the carrier shall be as prompt as is administratively feasible following receipt by the shipper or their forwarder of freight amounts from USAID.

- Clean, dated, unclaused, rated, on-board bill of lading meeting the requirements of USAID Regulation 2, 22 CFR Part 202, Section
- (ii) Copy of vessel hold and/or inspection certificate;
- (iii) Invoice for payment of commission to Carrier's broker (if any) marked "paid" by Carrier's broker;
- Invoice for payment of commission to Shipper's agent marked "paid" by Shipper's agent:
- Fully signed copy of the Booking Note/Contract of Carriage;
- Letter from the Shipper stating that the Carrier has paid (or made satisfactory arrangements to pay) all charges and expenses including Loading Delay Assessments (LDA) and/or Delivery Delay Assessments (DDA), if any, resulting from the Carrier's failure to lift cargo as scheduled in accordance with this booking note or authorizing the shipper to deduct spec expenses and charges from the freight
- (vii) Form AID 1550-1 signed by the carrier;
- Fumigation certificate when required; (viii)
- NCB Certificate of Cleanliness;
- One copy of Vessel Loading Observation Procedure (VLOP) Commodity Inspection Certificate:
- Copy of Carrier's applicable tariff covering this shipment.

# U.S. CARRIAGE OF GOODS BY SEA ACT

It is mutually agreed that this contract is subject to all the terms and provisions of the Carriage of Goods by Sea Act (46 U.S.C. 1300 et seq.) unless otherwise provided in this contract. However, in case of claims for loss, damage or shrinkage in transit, or any other claims against the Carrier, the rules and conditions governing commercial shipments and provisions of the Carriage of Goods by Sea Act of 1936 shall not apply as to the period within which notice thereof shall be given the Carriers or to period within which claim therefore shall be made or suit instituted.

# **GENERAL AVERAGE**

Provided the Carrier has used due diligence to make the vessel seaworthy, then in the event of accident, danger, damage or disaster before or after commencement of the voyage resulting from any cause whatsoever, whether due to negligence or not, for which, or for the consequences of which the Carrier is not responsible by statute, contract or otherwise, the goods, consignees or owners of the goods shall contribute with the Carrier in general average to the payment of any sacrifices, losses or expenses of a general average nature that may be made or incurred including salvage and 420 special charges incurred in respect to the goods. If a salving ship is owned or operated by the carrier, salvage shall be paid for as fully as if the said salving ship or ships belonged to strangers. General Average shall be payable according to York/Antwerp Rules 1994). Cargo is to be released without general average security.

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#### 21. PROVISIONS OF US LEGISLATIVE ACTS 425

- 426 All the terms and conditions of this contract are subject to the applicable provisions of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of
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- 1954, as amended for PL 480 cargoes; Section 416 of the Agricultural Act of 429 1949, as amended for Sec 416(b) cargoes; Section 1110 of the Food
- Security Act of 1985, as amended for Food for Progress cargoes; Section 430
- 3107 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (To be know as 431
- the McGovern Dole International Food for Education and Child Nutrition 432 Program), and regulations issued there under, as amended. 433

# 22. US CUSTOMS COMPLIANCE

- 435 In accordance with the enforced compliance program for outbound documentation of the U.S. Customs Service, Carrier is hereby informed that 436
- Carrier is responsible for the payment of any penalty assessed against the 437
- cargo due in whole or in part to delay by Carrier in verifying final load count 438
- and providing said final load count to the Freight forwarder/Shipping Agent 439
- 440 concerned

### 23. ISM CODE COMPLIANCE 441

- Carrier guarantees that this vessel, if required by the ISM code issued in 442 443
- accordance with International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (1974) 444 as amended (SOLAS) (Non self-propelled barges are exempt), complies fully
- 445 with the International Safety Management (ISM) Code and will remain so for
- 446 the entirety of her employment under this booking note. Upon request,
- 447 Carriers to provide Shippers with a copy of the relevant document of
- compliance (DOC) and Safety Management Certificate (SMC). Carriers are 448
- 449 to remain fully responsible for any and all consequences from matters arising
- as a result of the Carrier or the vessel being out of compliance with the ISM 450
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#### COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 408 OF THE U.S. COAST GUARD 452 24. **AUTHORIZATION ACT OF 1998** 453

- 454 Public Law 105-383 (46 U.S.C. Section 2302 (e), establishes, effective
- January 1, 1999, with respect to non-U.S. flag vessels and operators / owners, that substandard vessels and vessels operated by operators of 455 456
- substandard vessels are prohibited from the carriage of government impelled 457
- (preference) cargo(es) for up to one year after such substandard determination has been published electronically. As this cargo is preference 458
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- cargo, carrier must warrant that vessel(s) and owner / operators are not 460
- 461 disqualified to carry such cargo(es).

#### 25. WAR RISK PREMIUM 462

- 463 The Carrier is to be fully responsible for any and all War Risk Insurance
- 464 Premium that may be assessed against the vessel during the duration of this
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#### 466 26. **USDA / USAID NOTICES**

- The following USDA and USAID "Notice to the Trade" are hereby 467
- incorporated into this booking note. The complete text of these Notices can 468
- be obtained at the USDA or USAID web site. In addition to the specific 469
- 470 notices referenced below, any cargo booked under this booking note is subject to all relevant notices to the trade that have been issued by USDA 471
- and/or USAID prior to the date of this booking note as specified in PART I. 472
- 473 (A) The USDA Kansas City Commodity Office's "Container, Barge, and
- Vessel Hold Inspection Requirements Title II, PL 480 and Section 416 Export 474
- Donations" is fully incorporated in this contract. 475
- 476 The U.S. Department of Agriculture, Kansas City Commodity Office's
- guidelines for "Claims for Over, Short and Damaged Cargo Documentation ", 477
- dated November 1, 1988, is fully incorporated in this contract. 478
- 479 (C) USDA Kansas City Commodity Office Notice to the trade EOD-68
- 480 dated May 5, 2000 "Change in VLO Requirements and Procedures" is
- 481 incorporated herein. A copy of the notice can be obtained from the following
- 482 FTP site: ftp://fsa.usda.gov/public/export/eod68txt.
- A copy of the VLO Certificate must be submitted as part of the freight 483
- payment package.
- USDA Kansas City Commodity Office notice to the trade and USAID 485
- modifications to booking guidelines dated July 5, 1996, regarding changes in 486
- vessel loading observations procedure and clarification of FAS delivery are 487
- hereby incorporated into this booking note. 488

### 489 27. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- Shippers to have the option of selecting one of the following dispute 490
- resolution procedures which is to be specified in PART I of this Booking 491
- 492 Note. In the event that the Shipper does not select one of the following

- procedures, any dispute arising out of this Booking Note can be adjudicated
- 494 by the Shipper or Carrier to any court of appropriate jurisdiction located in the
- 495 United States.

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- 496 Arbitration: All disputes arising out of this contract shall be arbitrated at 497 New York in the following manner, and be subject to U.S. Law:
- 498 One Arbitrator is to be appointed by each of the parties hereto and a third by
- the two so chosen. Their decision or that of any two of them shall be final and
- for the purpose of enforcing any award, this agreement may be made a rule 500 of the court. The Arbitrators shall be commercial men, conversant with 501
- 502 shipping matters. Such Arbitration is to be conducted in accordance with the
- rules of the Society of Maritime Arbitrators Inc. (All World Food Program 503 504 bookings will be subject to this arbitration clause)
- 505 (B) Federal Acquisition Regulations procedure as defined under FAR: 506 52.233.
- 507 (C) Mediation acceptable to both Shipper and Carrier.
- 508 Disputes involving marine loss and damage claims and related matters are 509 subject to the American Carriage of Goods By Sea Act, 1936.

#### 510 28. BOOKING NOTE CHANGES

- Any terms or provisions inserted in or deleted from this contract by the
- 512 Carrier or Shipper or their agents shall be null and void unless approved in
  - writing by both the Shipper and Carrier.

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